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SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
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REVIEW OF RESERVATION POLICY
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to review the reservation policy;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the position of reservation for various classes of society at present;

(c) whether certain castes in various classes are reaping the maximum benefits of reservation;

(d) if so, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether several classes and castes are carrying agitation seeking reservation on economic basis;

(f) if so, the details thereof;

(g) the policy of the Government about the creamy layer in the other backward classes and whether the creamy layer provisions are adhered to ; and

(h) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE & EMPOWERMENT (DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA)

(a) & (b) No, Sir. Reservation for SCs.STs and OBCs is available in all groups of posts. In case of direct recruitment on all India basis by open competition, reservation for SCs, STs and OBCs is 15% 7.5% and 27% respectively.

(c)& (d) No information is available in this regard.

(e) & (f) Demands have been raised to provide reservation on economic basis from time to time.

(g) & (h) Reservation is not available to OBCs belonging to the Creamy Layer. Criterion for determining Creamy Layer status is being adhered to.